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EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE,

TRANSMITTING,

IN RESPONSE TO SENATE RESOLUTION OF MARCH 8, 1920, A COMMUNICATION CONTAINING CERTAIN DATA CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT AND THEIR CLASSIFICATIONS AS TO EMPLOYMENT, RESIDENCE, AND PAY.

JUNE 2 (calendar day, JUNE 4), 1920.—Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and ordered to be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,  
*Washington, June 3, 1920.*

SIR: In compliance with Senate resolution 327, dated March 8, 1920, I have the honor to transmit herewith statements showing the number of persons employed in the Department of Agriculture, together with a division of such employees into classes with the number employed in each class, which classification shows separately the number of persons employed as scientists and experts, the number of persons employed in the District of Columbia and in each of the several States, Territories, and possessions of the United States, the number of persons employed in the Department of Agriculture separately for each year for the 10 years last past, the total appropriations and deficiencies separately for each of the 10 fiscal years last past, the amount and percentage of such appropriations used for expenditures other than for salaries, wages, traveling expenses, and office expenses, and the character of such expenditures.

Respectfully,

E. T. MEREDITH, *Secretary.*

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

## STATEMENT No. 1.

## 1. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES BY CLASSES ON MAR. 1, 1920.

Executive and administrative.....	1,406
Clerical.....	3,103
Subclerical.....	1,958
Scientists and experts.....	12,237
Total.....	<sup>1</sup> 18,704

## 2. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES (ALL CLASSES) BY STATES ON MAR. 1, 1920.

Alabama.....	221	New York.....	648
Arizona.....	208	North Carolina.....	268
Arkansas.....	236	North Dakota.....	124
California.....	768	Ohio.....	368
Colorado.....	472	Oklahoma.....	255
Connecticut.....	64	Oregon.....	423
Delaware.....	20	Pennsylvania.....	301
District of Columbia.....	4,465	Rhode Island.....	47
Florida.....	294	South Carolina.....	174
Georgia.....	329	South Dakota.....	151
Idaho.....	313	Tennessee.....	202
Illinois.....	843	Texas.....	643
Indiana.....	292	Utah.....	327
Iowa.....	409	Vermont.....	75
Kansas.....	439	Virginia.....	347
Kentucky.....	141	Washington.....	333
Louisiana.....	331	West Virginia.....	136
Maine.....	54	Wisconsin.....	411
Maryland.....	300	Wyoming.....	148
Massachusetts.....	348	Hawaii.....	28
Michigan.....	243	Philippines.....	7
Minnesota.....	378	Porto Rico.....	25
Mississippi.....	251	Alaska.....	29
Missouri.....	360	Guam.....	5
Montana.....	469	Virgin Islands.....	4
Nebraska.....	358	Canal Zone.....	1
Nevada.....	80	Foreign.....	14
New Hampshire.....	55		
New Jersey.....	171	Total employees in de-	
New Mexico.....	298	partment.....	<sup>1</sup> 18,704

STATEMENT No. 2.—*The number of persons employed separately for each year for 10 years last past.*

July 1, 1910.....	12,480
July 1, 1911.....	12,704
July 1, 1912.....	13,858
July 1, 1913.....	14,478
July 1, 1914.....	16,061
July 1, 1915.....	16,223
July 1, 1916.....	17,167
July 1, 1917.....	18,751
July 1, 1918.....	25,239
July 1, 1919.....	<sup>2</sup> 22,967

<sup>1</sup> In addition there are a total of 1,800 river and rainfall, storm-warning, cotton-region observers, and other emergency assistants in the Weather Bureau, forest guards, fire assistants, rodmen, chainmen, cooks, patrolmen, etc., in the Forest Service, and scouts, foremen, and laborers, employed in connection with the eradication of the brown-tail and gypsy moth in the New England States. These persons are not included in the total of 18,704 employees because their employment is of an emergency or intermittent character.

<sup>2</sup> Includes temporary employees such as river and rainfall, storm-warning, cotton-region observers, and other emergency assistants in the Weather Bureau, forest guards, fire assistants, rodmen, chainmen, cooks, patrolmen, etc., in the Forest Service, and scouts, foremen, and laborers, employed in connection with the eradication of the brown-tail and gypsy moth in the New England States, numbering about 1,800.

STATEMENT No. 3.—Showing total appropriations and deficiencies separately for each of the 10 fiscal years last past, the amount and percentage of such appropriations used for expenditures other than salaries, wages, traveling expenses, and office expenses, and the character of such expenditures.

	Total appropriations exclusive of deficiency appropriations.	Deficiency appropriations.	Telegraph, telephone, and postage.	Freight, express, and drayage.	Furnish- ing heat, light, power, electricity, fuel.	Apparatus, instru- ments, laboratory and miscel- laneous equipment.	Forage purchased in bulk.	Engin- eers', electricians', and mechan- ics' sup- plies.
1910	\$16,626,736.00	\$80,000.00	\$208,692.15	\$36,660.82	\$10,757.01	\$677,482.58	\$84,176.70	\$7,736.41
1911	17,212,636.00	923,192.00	216,670.87	44,080.78	10,032.28	906,410.83	150,603.97	5,477.96
1912	20,110,016.00	.....	231,452.13	70,118.63	11,824.03	743,472.39	164,918.78	4,925.24
1913	19,681,496.00	5,819.83	228,760.46	88,603.81	13,411.64	532,516.00	211,010.23	24,062.89
1914	21,746,945.00	.....	247,665.26	103,864.80	11,903.55	553,474.75	175,405.63	35,955.27
1915	23,345,832.00	.....	262,875.67	148,922.76	10,990.59	602,714.80	211,173.50	26,787.67
1916	27,051,782.00	2,884,243.00	281,271.17	113,700.54	9,880.95	506,274.20	193,640.76	27,900.70
1917	29,528,852.00	452,300.00	330,380.15	135,908.86	10,499.30	599,867.47	259,298.17	13,274.27
1918	46,355,513.00	775,000.00	491,082.88	209,193.56	13,789.52	759,480.32	302,920.80	15,389.02
1919	44,487,216.00	.....	530,881.61	213,997.58	17,071.43	863,185.40	336,179.46	12,908.34

<sup>1</sup> Includes emergency war appropriation of \$15,346,400 for increasing food production.

<sup>2</sup> Includes emergency war appropriation of \$11,031,863, for increasing food production; discontinued July 1, 1919.

	Purchase of animals for experimental and control purposes.	Advertis- ing and publica- tion of notices.	Lands purchased.	Printing, engraving, lithograph- ing, and binding.	Structures and other improve- ments of lands.	Miscellaneous supplies, services, etc.	Total.	Percentage.
1910	\$38,356.09	\$306.15	\$26,300.00	\$61,433.84	\$35,591.53	\$552,256.47	\$1,739,769.75	10.41
1911	39,072.50	298.14	.....	72,990.64	89,778.57	591,248.72	2,126,671.26	11.71
1912	35,005.67	254.51	17,775.00	54,572.50	99,618.42	570,125.69	2,005,062.99	9.97
1913	30,322.49	270.01	11,873.70	100,746.17	76,928.78	349,163.73	1,667,669.91	8.47
1914	76,978.23	848.53	17,380.00	112,325.56	111,872.77	357,807.32	1,805,481.67	8.30
1915	2,690,439.27	1,082.30	31,500.00	103,664.28	114,390.96	639,097.18	4,843,639.08	20.74
1916	329,546.05	415.00	13,000.00	121,256.69	83,047.87	398,227.13	2,078,161.66	6.94
1917	61,566.02	1,376.11	1,709.15	155,632.24	114,149.15	522,700.48	2,206,381.37	7.35
1918	42,389.83	719.63	46,910.00	678,271.56	169,202.73	590,110.90	3,319,460.75	7.04
1919	123,777.66	629.46	.....	453,614.06	41,140.86	814,589.55	3,407,975.41	7.66

# STATEMENT No. 4.

[Memorandum.]

## DEFINITION OF CLASSES.

*Executive and administrative.*—Employees whose duties are mainly of a supervisory executive, or administrative character, such as chiefs of divisions, chief clerks, executive assistants, officials in charge of large field stations, administrative assistants, and the like.

*Clerical.*—Employees whose duties are mainly of a clerical character, such as clerks of classes 1, 2, 3, and 4, stenographers, typewriters, statistical clerks, bookkeepers, auditors, and the like.

*Subclerical.*—Employees of the various grades below that of clerk, such as mechanics, messengers, messenger boys, laborers, charwomen, janitors, watchmen, and the like.

*Scientists and experts.*—Employees engaged in scientific, research, professional, technical, and expert work of the department, such as meteorologists, forecasters, veterinary inspectors, animal husbandmen, botanists, plant pathologists, silvicultur- ists, wood technologists, chemists, microanalysts, soil physicists, soil chemists, ento- mologists, apiculturists, biologists, experts in game conservation, statisticians, crop specialists, extension specialists, agriculturists, highway engineers, supervisors of road construction, grain supervisors, cotton specialists, insecticide and fungicide inspectors, plant quarantine inspectors, and the like.

## EXPENDITURES.

It should be noted that in addition to the amounts turned back into the Treasury from the regular appropriations during the decade covered by this report, there were unexpended balances, also turned back into the Treasury, of about \$10,400,000 in the emergency war appropriations for increasing food production during the fiscal years 1918 and 1919.

U.S. Dept of Agriculture.

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